

NAME (L) John A. ...

AF ID. 55-1234

GRADE WFO

DATE OF REPORT 2 Mar 1953

TIME DURING DAY 0010

CHARACTER ...

TYPE ...

APPROX. N to S

NO. OF OBSERVERS 1

NAME John A. ...

PRE-COND. ... SKY CONDITIONS ...

Clouds very thin Form 30°  
Scattered 5°

Incident #274

DATE OF INFO 2 Mar 1953

LOCATION Los Alamos, N.M.

SQUALL RESS Inspector

DATE IN TO ATIC ...

RELATION ...

RELAY Very fast Most of the time

ALTITUDE low 10,000 ft

LENGTH OF THE GLOW 0 2 sec.

TYPE OF OBSERVATION Tower

MATERIALS ...

Astro(Meteor)

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1. Date of Observation 2 March 49 Date of Interview 2 March 49
2. Exact time (local) 0000
3. Place of Observation Los Alamos, N.M. 35° 53' 09" North
4. Position of observer 106° 14' 54" West  
Ground, Station 103
5. What attracted attention to object Light
6. Number of objects One
7. Apparent size
8. Color of object
9. Shape
10. Altitude Low in sky
11. Direction from observer
12. Distance from observer
13. Direction of flight of object(s) North to South
14. Time in sight Two seconds
15. Speed Very Fast, Covered half of Field of view (90°) in two seconds
16. Sound and odor
17. Trail
18. Luminosity Self luminous
19. Projections
20. Maneuvers Horizontal flight
21. Manner of disappearance Disappeared behind trees.
22. Effect on clouds
23. Additional information concerning object Dim light constant intensity.
24. Weather conditions Thin overcast at 20,000'

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Astro(meteor)

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TO: Lt. Darla D. Hightower, Operations Officer  
Protective Force, AESS  
Inspector [REDACTED]

FROM: [REDACTED]

TIME: 0010

DATE: 2 March 1949

DIRECTION: Horizontal plane from north to south.

SPEED: very fast

COLOR:

ALTITUDE:

POINT OF OBSERVATION: Station 103

SOUND:

OBSERVER: [REDACTED]

STATEMENT BY OBSERVER: At approximately 0010, 2 March 1949, while making a foot patrol at Station 103, I observed a light low in the sky. It appeared quite dim and constant in intensity. It was traveling nearly in a horizontal plane from north to south. I saw it for about two seconds when the trees cut off my view. It appeared to be traveling very fast as it crossed one half my line of vision during the time I observed it.

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Name and address of observer: [REDACTED]  
AEC Los Alamos, New Mexico

Occupation and hobbies: Inspector AEIS, Los Alamos, N.M.

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s):

Requisite for employment with AEC

NARRATIVE SUMMARY: [REDACTED]

At approximately 0010, 2 March 1949, while making [REDACTED] a foot patrol at station 103, I observed a light low in the sky. It appeared quite dim and constant in intensity. It was traveling nearly in a horizontal plane from north to south. I saw it for about two seconds when the trees cut off my view. It appeared to be traveling very fast as it [REDACTED] crossed one half my line of vision during the time I observed it.

[REDACTED]  
AEIS Inspector  
Los Alamos, N.M.

## GUIDE TO INVESTIGATION

## UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS

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1. Date of Observation 2 March 1949 Date of Interview 2 March 1949
2. Exact time of observation (local) 0010 hours
3. Place of Observation: 35 deg 53 min 09 sec N  
(Map Coordinates) 106 deg 14 min 54 sec W
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location of - give details):  
**Outdoors: Station 103, Los Alamos, New Mexico**
5. What attracted attention to object: **Light**
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping: **One**
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist at arms length): **N/S**
8. Color of object: **N/S**
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object): **N/S**
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0° at horizon, 90° overhead): **"Low in sky"**
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from north): **N/S**
12. Distance from observer (Distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object appeared to be): **N/S**
13. Direction of flight of object (s): **North to South, horizontally.**
14. Time in sight: **Two (2) seconds.**
15. Speed, (time to cover given angular distance): **Very fast; covered half of field of view in two (2) seconds. (90 degrees?)**
16. Sound and odor: **N/S**

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17. Trail (color, length, width, persistance, etc.)

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18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescent, other - degree of brilliancy):

**Self-luminous**

19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.):

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20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc. - sketch of flight path):

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21. Manner of disappearance: **Disappeared behind trees.**

22. Effect on clouds: **~~3/3~~**

23. Additional information concerning object: **Dim light, constant intensity**

24. Weather conditions and light at time of sighting:

**Thin overcast at 20,000 feet.**

Name and address of observer: **Inspector [REDACTED], Atomic Energy Security Service, Los Alamos, New Mexico**

Occupation and hobbies:

**Atomic Energy Security Service Inspector (ward)**

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (Check neighbors, police dept., FBI records, employer, etc.):

**CSI requisite for employment.**

Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material?

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**[REDACTED]**